

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus for executing predetermined processing in accordance with a first operation, a second operation, or a third operation ~~performed through operating means~~, comprising:

jog dial means for enabling an operator to perform said first operation, said second operation, and said third operation;

first display control means for controlling, in accordance with said first operation or said second operation performed through said jog dial ~~operating~~ means, the display of an image for browsing corresponding to content recorded on a recording medium; and

reproduction means for reproducing content corresponding to said image for browsing of which display is kept in a selected state by said first display control means if said third operation has been performed through said jog dial ~~operating~~ means.

2. (Original) An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said first display control means controls the display of said image for browsing such that said image for browsing is linearly aligned.

3. (Original) An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said first display control means controls the display of said image for browsing such that said image for browsing is aligned in a curve which constitutes a circle.

4. (Original) An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said first display control means controls the display of said image for browsing such that said image for browsing is spirally aligned in a three-dimensional space.

5. (Original) An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said first display control means controls the display of said image for browsing such that said image for browsing is aligned in a planar manner.

6. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

second display control means for controlling, in accordance with said first operation or said second operation performed through said jog dial ~~operating~~ means, the display of an icon of an application program which uses said content to be reproduced by said reproduction means; and

starting means for starting, if said third operation is performed through said jog dial ~~operating~~ means with the display of an icon of a predetermined application program kept in an active state by said second display control means, said predetermined application program of which display of an icon is kept in the active state.

7. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein, when any display of the icon of said application program is kept in the active state by said second display control means and said third operation is performed through said jog dial ~~operating~~ means, said starting means ends said application program started.

8. (Original) An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein each of said first operation and said second operation is performed by rotating or turning a rotating or turning type dial.

9. (Original) An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said third operation is performed by depressing a rotating or turning type dial.

10. (Original) An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said first operation, said third operation, and said second operation are performed by switches arranged substantially in straight-line in this order.

11. (Currently Amended) An information processing method for an information processing apparatus for executing predetermined processing in accordance with a first operation, a second operation, or a third operation ~~performed through operating means~~, comprising:

an enabling step for enabling an operator to perform said first operation, said second operation, and said third operation through the use of a jog dial means;

a first display control step for controlling, in accordance with said first operation or said second operation performed through said jog dial ~~operating~~ means, the display of an image for browsing corresponding to content recorded on a recording medium; and

a reproduction step for reproducing content corresponding to said image for browsing of which display is kept in a selected state in said first display control step if said third operation has been performed through said jog dial ~~operating~~ means.

12. (Original) An information processing method according to claim 11, wherein each of said first operation and said second operation is performed by rotating or turning a rotating or turning type dial.

13. (Original) An information processing method according to claim 11, wherein said third operation is performed by depressing a rotating or turning type dial.

14. (Original) An information processing method according to claim 11, wherein said first operation, said third operation, and said second operation are performed by switches arranged substantially in straight-line in this order.

15. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable program for controlling an information processing apparatus for executing predetermined processing in accordance with a first operation, a second operation, or a third operation ~~performed through operating means~~, said computer-readable program comprising:

an enabling step for enabling an operator to perform said first operation, said second operation, and said third operation through the use of a jog dial means;

a first display control step for controlling, in accordance with said first operation or said second operation performed through said jog dial ~~operating~~ means, the display of an image for browsing corresponding to content recorded on a recording medium; and

a reproduction step for reproducing content corresponding to said image for browsing of which display is kept in a selected state in said first display control step if said third operation has been performed through said jog dial ~~operating~~ means.

16. (Original) A computer-readable program according to claim 15, wherein each of said first operation and said second operation is performed by rotating or turning a rotating or turning type dial.

17. (Original) A computer-readable program according to claim 15, wherein said third operation is performed by depressing a rotating or turning type dial.

18. (Original) A computer-readable program according to claim 15, wherein said first operation, said third operation, and said second operation are performed by switches arranged substantially in straight-line in this order.

19. (Currently Amended) A program storage medium for storing a computer-readable program for controlling an information processing apparatus for executing predetermined processing in accordance with a first operation, a second operation, or a third operation ~~performed through operating means~~, said computer-readable program comprising:

an enabling step for enabling an operator to perform said first operation, said second operation, and said third operation through the use of a jog dial means;

a first display control step for controlling, in accordance with said first operation or said second operation performed through said jog dial ~~operating~~ means, the display of an image for browsing corresponding to content recorded on a recording medium; and

a reproduction step for reproducing content corresponding to said image for browsing of which display is kept in a selected state in said first display control step if said third operation has been performed through said jog dial ~~operating~~ means.

20. (Original) A program storage medium according to claim 19, wherein each of said first operation and said second operation is performed by rotating or turning a rotating or turning type dial.

21. (Original) A program storage medium according to claim 19, wherein said third operation is performed by depressing a rotating or turning type dial.

22. (Original) A program storage medium according to claim 19, wherein said first operation, said third operation, and said second operation are performed by switches arranged substantially in straight-line in this order.